

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PRICE RIVER ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE SMALL COURT ROOM AT PRICE, UTAH
AUGUST 15, 1960 at 8:00 P.M.**

The meeting was conducted by George Waterman, Chairman of the Committee. D. A. Frandsen was appointed temporary secretary to take and compile the minutes of the meeting.

The following were present:

George Waterman	- President
John Bene	- Secretary
Harvey Thomas	- River Commissioner
Elmer Thorum	- Eng. for Utah Power & Light
D. A. Frandsen	- Atty. Rep. Utah Power & Light
Bill Marsing	-
Lyle Bryner	-
Rex Mathis	-
Bill Dause	-
Albert Thayn	-
B. H. Young	-
Doris Critchlow	-
Dave Rowley	-
Ezra Branch	-
Sam Fazzio	-
Murray Mathis	-
Chester Slaugh	-
Paul Moynier	-

John Bene read the minutes of the July 18, 1960 meeting; no objections and minutes were approved. Mr. Bene left the meeting before it was finished and asked to be excused.

Harvey Thomas, River Commissioner, made the following report for the period August 1, to August 15th:

August 1:	5,760 ac. ft. of water in reservoir
August 15:	<u>3,820</u> " "
	1,940 ac.ft. drop in reservoir in 15 day period
	1,593 ac.ft. dlvd. at heads of canals
	147 ac.ft. lost in evaporation & transit

Water Pledged:

August 15:	3,820 ac.ft. in reservoir
August 15:	<u>2,765</u> ac.ft. pledged on 44% allocation
	1,055 ac.ft. balance and water available for evap., transit loss & possible increase in allocation.
August 15:	20.0% Efficiency of primary water.



Computation: Aug. 1 to Aug. 15 on 44% allocation:

<u>Canal Company</u>	<u>8/1 Bal.</u>	<u>Used 8/1 to 15</u>	<u>8/15 Bal.</u>
Carbon Canal	1,981	802	1,179
Price-Wellington	1,051	439	611
Spring Glen	36	36	0
Stowell	77	10.76	66.24
Gay	26	0	26
O'Berto	29	6.24	22.76
Bryner-Ploutz	28	17.70	10.30*
Bryner-Hansen	19	5	14
Utah Power & Light	779	78.18	700.82
Indep. Coal & Coke	27.10	12.63	14.47
Price City	170 (?)	10 (?)	160 (?)
Helper City	93 (?)	-- (?)	93 (?)
Carbon Country Club	60 (Full yr)	(?)	(?)
	4376.10	1417.51	2897.59

*15.6 shares were transferred out of this ditch which on a 44% allocation would amount to 6.86 acre feet. This with 10.84 ac.ft. delivered equals the 17.70 ac.ft. charged against them.

The above figures in the Harvey Thomas report includes a revision on Utah Power & Light from the original figures given by Mr. Thomas. There had previously been a duplication of some figures in the amount of water used in July. Elmer Thorum had the records and figures, and the figures above stated are as agreed to after the revision. Mr. Thorum's computation on Utah Power & Light's available water and its use, which was agreed to by Mr. Thomas, is as follows:

Water owned by UP&L: 2,121 shares x 43.9% = 925.00 ac. ft.

Use: June	- 4.16
July 1 to 31	- 141.66
Aug. 1 to 15	- 78.18
Total use to 8/15	224.00

Bal. as of 8/15 to be delivered

701.00 ac.ft.

Mr. Thorum in response to questions about the daily needs of the Power Company stated that it would average out about 4 cfs, which would equal 8 acre feet per day. This varies according to the load and peak periods; the use runs from about 5 to 9 acre feet per day. Mr. Thorum expressed grave concern for the Power Company's needs and whether there would be enough water left in the reservoir after irrigation use to take care of the Power Company. He stated in order for them to be adequately protected without taking any gamble, there should be 1500 ac. ft. left in the reservoir after the irrigation use is over. He said they wouldn't need that much as consumptive use at the plant, but if you had cold weather and the river froze and other problems that could arise, it would take at least 1500 ac.ft. as a cushion for these contingencies.

Mr. Thomas reported that he had heard discussions on the possibilities of pumping water from the old mine No. 2 at Castle Gate and also from the mine at Winter Quarters. In both of these mines there is water in the underground workings and the opinion was expressed that this water could be pumped out in case of emergency need and the Power Co. use this water.



The water, however, from Winter Quarters would have a long way to travel and there may be a problem of getting the maximum amount of this water down to the Power Company's plant during the winter time when the river would ice up.

There was also discussion about contacting the State Fish & Game and Bureau of Reclamation and getting permission to pump or syphon water or cut down the lip so that some of the water now in dead storage could be used in case of dire need by the Power Company. A number expressed the opinion that the Fish & Game Department should be contacted. Statements were made by some of those present that public officers in Carbon County and others were being made aware of the problem and that they thought the Fish & Game Department would be contacted in the near future.

There was considerable discussion about the Country Club not having a water meter. Bill Marsing stated that at the last meeting the Adjudication Committee had taken action, and requested the Country Club to install a meter. Mr. Waterman reported they had been considering the matter but had not as yet installed one. All at the meeting were of the opinion the Country Club should immediately install a water meter so that an accurate determination could be made of the water they are using. In connection with this discussion, mention was made that the State Engineer had been contacted on their request that he in turn contact them and request that the Country Club install a meter and that he take some action on the Ogan water, the use of water on White River, and the use of water above Scofield.

Duane Frandsen, temporary secretary was requested to write a letter to the State Engineer inquiring what had been done on these particular problems and asking that he make a report immediately to the officers of the Adjudication Committee. A copy of the letter to the State Engineer was to be sent to Harvey Thomas, Water Commissioner.

Paul Moynier brought up the problem of pollution in the river by Independent Coal & Coke dumping their waste near Price River and the bank sluffing off and floods coming and carrying considerable amount of this waste from the washer plant into the river and into the canals, streams and on to the farms. There was no formal action taken on what should be done with this particular problem. Mr. Waterman mentioned several years ago this had been called to the attention of Bill Jackson and Mr. O'Connors and they said they would take care of the problem and there would be no further need to worry about it.

Bill Marsing mentioned that Utah Power & Light is dumping a red slurry type of mud and gumbo into the river from their settling ponds. This is causing trouble with the water users and particularly is gumming up obliterating the measuring rules in the flumes and viers. No official action was taken on this matter.

Motion was made by Bill Marsing, seconded by Rex Mathis that the meeting adjourn; motion carried; meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM.

Temporary Secretary

APPROVED: Chairman of Comm.

